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SUBJECT: GRADUATE ARTS STUDENTS EXCHANGE

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1. DEPT AGREES IN PRINCIPLE TO SHESTAKOV STUDY PROGRAM, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE RESERVATIONS AS TO HIS SUITABILITY AS CANDIDATE UNDER SECTION 1, PARA 1.D EXCHANGE AGREEMENT.

2. REQUEST EMBASSY MAKE CLEAR TO MINCULT ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR BEARING COST OF SHESTAKOV'S TRAVEL IN US IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONDITIONS GOVERNING EXCHANGES IN FIELD OF EDUCATION, (PAGE 33, BOTTOM LINE OF AGREEMENT).

3. REQUEST EMBASSY ADVISE MINCULT OF OUR CONCERN OVER THEIR UNWILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT HIHN. HIHN WILLING TO MAKE WHATEVER ARRANGEMENTS NECESSARY ON HER OWN, BUT REQUIRES STUDENT STATUS IN USSR IN ORDER COMPLETE HER STUDY PROGRAM. WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND WHY TICKETS AND LIBRARY
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MATERIALS, WHICH WE AGREE ARE NECESSARY FOR SERIOUS PROGRAM,

CANNOT BE PROVIDED. DEPT HAS BEEN FLEXIBLE IN AGREEING TO
ACCEPT SHESTAKOV, WHO IS NEITHER A GRADUATE STUDENT NOR A
YOUNG SPECIALIST, AND ASKS THAT MINCULT RECONSIDER

CANDIDACY OF HIHN, WHO IS GRADUATE STUDENT AND PROPOSES
ENGAGE IN RESEARCH PROGRAM COVERED BY LANGUAGE OF
AGREEMENT (SECTION 1 PARA 1D). WE ARE CONVINCED HIHN
PROPOSAL IS DESIGNED FOR SERIOUS ACADEMIC STUDY. INGERSOLL

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